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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action in the above-referenced application mailed June 3, 2002. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claims to read as shown:

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1. An electro-acoustic system for use with electronic sound-generating equipment, comprising:
 - an earmold molded to conform to and frictionally fit in a person's ear having a sound-conduction bore extending therethrough;
 - a sound-conducting tube having a passage with one end of the tubing connected to the earmold so that the passage is opposite the sound-conduction bore and, a curved portion adapted to extend along the person's head between the person's head and ear;
 - a speaker acoustically coupled to the other end of the sound-conduction tube for conducting sound into the passage;